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In the Claims:

Claims 1-20 (canceled)

Claim 21 (new): A method for requesting a network resource from an identifier including at least one character image element comprising:

detecting said at least one character image element from the identifier, said identifier including a character image of an emoticon, said at least one character image element including a base image identifier and character modifier identifier;

generating at least one uniform resource identifier component corresponding to said at least one character image element;

generating a uniform resource locator (URL) including said at least one uniform resource identifier component; and,

requesting the network resource with said URL.

Claim 22 (new): The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein said emoticon is in a form of a face.

Claim 23 (new): The method as set forth in claim 22, wherein said face is formed from alphanumeric characters.

Claim 24 (new): The method as set forth in claim 23, wherein said alphanumeric characters can include characters such as 8-1.

Claim 25 (new): A method for requesting a network resource from an identifier including at least one character image element comprising:

detecting said at least one character image element from the identifier, said identifier including a character image, said at least one character image element including a base image identifier and character modifier identifier wherein said character modifier identifier is in a form of machine readable code, said machine readable code in a form of at least one of a hair follicle and eyelash;

generating at least one uniform resource identifier component corresponding to said at least one character image element;

generating a uniform resource locator (URL) including said at least one uniform resource identifier component; and,

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requesting the network resource with said URL.

Claim 26 (new): The method as set forth in claim 25, wherein said eyelash includes attributes of at least one of a length and thickness and said hair follicle capable of providing a reference point for detecting said at least one character image element.

Claim 27 (new): The method as set forth in claim 25, wherein said character image is in a form of an emoticon.

Claim 28 (new): The method as set forth in claim 27, wherein said emoticon is in a form of a face.

Claim 29 (new): The method as set forth in claim 28, wherein said face is formed from alphanumeric characters.

Claim 30 (new): The method as set forth in claim 29, wherein said alphanumeric characters can include characters such as 8-1.

Claim 31 (new): The method as set forth in claim 30, wherein the 8 from said characters 8-1 is a visual metaphor for eyelids of eyes, said eyelash extending from said hair follicle, said hair follicle surrounding said eyelids, and said hair follicle representing a value of 0.

Claim 32 (new): The method as set forth in claim 31, wherein said attributes of said eyelash is selected from a group of name/value pairs including a thin short eyelash=1, thin long eyelash=2, thick short eyelash=3, and thick long eyelash=4.

Claim 33 (new): The method as set forth in claim 32, wherein said short eyelash is no longer than one third the length of the longest eyelash and said thin eyelash no thicker than one half the thickness of the thickest eyelash.

Claim 34 (new): The method as set forth in claim 33, wherein said generating said at least one uniform resource identifier component corresponding to said at least one character image element

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includes generating at least one uniform resource identifier corresponding to said one or more name/value pairs.

Claim 35 (new): A computer program product comprising computer readable program code stored on a computer readable medium, the program code adapted to execute a method for requesting a network resource from an identifier including at least one character image element comprising detecting said at least one character image element from the identifier, said identifier including a character image of an emoticon, said at least one character image element including a base image identifier and character modifier identifier, generating at least one uniform resource identifier component corresponding to said at least one character image element, generating a uniform resource locator (URL) including said at least one uniform resource identifier component, and requesting the network resource with said URL.